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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

In response to the Office Action dated February 25, 2003, please amend

First Response amend CENTER 2800 above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Replacement claim 1

- 1. (Twice amended)An optical switch, comprising
- a first micro-electro mechanical system (MEMS) device containing a first number of micro mirrors tiltable about at least a first axis;
- a second micro-electromechanical system (MEMS) device containing a second number of micro mirrors tiltable about at least said first axis; and
- a first imaging system optically coupled to said first MEMS device so as to produce an image of each of said micro mirrors of said first MEMS device on a corresponding micro mirror of said second MEMS device;
- so that at least one of said micro mirrors of said first MEMS device is grouped by said first imaging system with at least one of said micro mirrors of said second MEMS device such that the angle of reflection from said at least one grouped micro mirror of said first MEMS device and the angle of reflection from said at least one grouped micro mirror of said second MEMS device combine to produce an overall effective angle about



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